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The fourth edition of the *ICD-9-CM Coding Edit Manual* includes the latest updates effective for 1999 inpatient data. The fourth edition replaces the third edition. The format of the fourth edition is Word 97.

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The changes in this edition include the following:

- List of Coding Edits to be inactive effective with January 1, 2000 discharges.
- One new coding edit – V0299- **URINARY TRACT INFECTION (UTI) – SITE SPECIFIED VS UNSPECIFIED** (effective with discharges June 1, 1999).
- Minor changes to clarify guidelines effective through Fourth Quarter 1999 of *Coding Clinic for ICD-9-CM*, add/delete ICD-9-CM codes effective October 1, 1998 and revise page numbers in the Index.